

It is clear that the requirement for Morse Code Proficiency Testing has been recognized by most countries, as being unnecessary, as shown by their rescinding of that requirement. The ARRL Petition, RM-10867, recognizes this fact by requesting elimination of Morse Code testing for all but the Amateur Extra license class. In keeping with this theme, their proposal to fold the Technician, Tech Plus (Technician with Element 1 credit) and General class licensees into a new General license makes very much sense. Additionally, their reallocation of frequencies to the proposed new license classes would encourage use of these newly added privileges. I urge the FCC to grant the ARRL petition in it's entirety at the earliest possible date.